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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated February 24, 2003 be extended for a period of 3 months from May 24, 2003 to and including Sunday, August 24, 2003.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$465.00 (small entity). Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Date: August 25, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

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